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SUBJECT: EPPLER RESIGNATION

1. SENIOR SPD LEADER IN BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG, FORMER PARTY CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER, DR. WALTER KRAUSE TOLD US JULY 5 : THAT B/W SPD EXECIUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING THIS NOON AND WOULD RETAIN EPPLER AS LAND CHAIRMAN, THAT WICHNEWSKI WOULD PROBABLY SUCCEED EPPLER IN CABINET, AND THAT UNDERLYING REASON FOR EPPLER RESIGNATION WAS PERSONAL INCOMPAT-
IBILITY WITH SCHMIDT. KRAUSE SAID THERE WOULD BE UNFAVORABLE CONSEQUENCES FOR SPD IN B/W BUT EXTENT OF DAMAGE UNDETERMINED YET.

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2. INITIAL CDU LOCAL REACTION IS TO PLAY UP RESIGNATION AS "BEGINNING OF END" OF SCHMIDT CABINET. THIS TACTICAL EXPLOITATION RESTS ON ALLEDGED "FIRST SARGEANT" METHODS OF SCHMIDT, WHICH LOCAL CDU SAYS, HAVE BEGUN TO CAUSE FRICTIONS IN LEADING ECHELONS OF SPD.

3. WE HAVE NO AUTHORITATIVE REACTION FROM LOCAL FDP AS YET. RUCHTI

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